

TOWN OF WINDERMERE

Virtual Public Workshop Chaine du Lac Annexation

October 16, 2023

PRESENT:

Town Manager Robert Smith, Police Chief Dave Ogden, Public Works Director Tonya Elliott-Moore, Town Planner Brad Cornelius, and Town Clerk Dorothy Burkhalter were present.

1. THE WORKSHOP CALLED TO ORDER

Manager Smith called the public information session to order at 6:05pm.

2. ANNEXATION OF CHAINE du LAC

- a. Presentation
- b. Open Forum/Public Comment

Manager Smith gave an introduction for the workshop. He then turned the floor over to Town Planner Mr. Brad Cornelius. Mr. Cornelius gave a presentation and information regarding annexation, types of annexations, the process, Florida Statutes regarding annexations, Comp Plan and Zoning changes, and a timeline for the annexation process. Manager Smith reported on the minimal effect on Administration with annexation. He commented on past annexation interests from Chaine du Lac, fire and police services, politics, and financial impacts. Chief Ogden gave a biography of his career in Law Enforcement that has led him to the Chief of Police in Windermere. He then commented on patrolling/coverage to the area, response times, and the benefits of being within the Towns limits for the first responders. A few comments were made regarding the number of residents in support, involuntary annexation, and appreciation of the workshop and information.

3. ADJOURN:

The Public session adjourned at 6:49pm.